MEMORANDUM PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Community Health

TO:

Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.

Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services

Dr. Michael P. Mulligan, Assistant Health Officer

DATE:

May 9, 2006

SUBJECT:

Purchase of Software for Public Health Laboratory

ACTION REQUESTED:

- 1. Approve the Public Health Laboratory purchase of computer software, data conversion and training from M/MGMT Systems, Inc. and computer hardware from the Dell Corporation for a total system cost of \$62,000;
- 2. Approve the addition of software and hardware to the County Fixed Asset List in the amount of \$62,000;
- 3. Approve the attached Budget Revision to appropriately budget these funds; and
- 4. Authorize the Purchasing Manager to sign the necessary purchasing documents.

BACKGROUND:

For nearly 15 years, M/MGMT Systems has been the software vendor providing the Laboratory with an application to report results, communicate findings to State & Federal agencies, perform billing, and store data. It is an aging application that the vendor will cease to support in the near future. M/MGMT Systems is presently installing its new replacement system, the M/Lab Enterprise Edition, in five other county Public Health laboratories throughout California.

Conversion to this upgraded system will bring Placer County's Public Health Laboratory the full range of electronic data collection, storage, reporting, and analytical capability, and the means to communicate important data findings to appropriate partner agencies, such as State & Federal health oversight facilities.

In addition, a more modern billing feature will assist us in optimizing staff time and efficient use of this premium resource, and will permit us to take full advantage of our claimable cost reimbursements. This proposal includes all first-year costs for compatible hardware, appropriate use licenses, data conversion costs, and the new software.

A key component in our newly assigned Level B bio-terrorism responsibilities is the ability to communicate rapidly with State & Federal officials through the use of Web portals, e-mail, and automated faxing capabilities. This replacement/upgrade will provide such ability.

In accordance with Purchasing Policy Section 1.3(i), the purchase of software may be exempt from the competitive process.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Community Health budget for 2005-2006 currently has sufficient unexpended General Funds to cover the cost for this expenditure. Consequently, this purchase will not increase the net County cost. The total project, including hardware, software, conversion, and training is estimated at \$62,000.

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BUDGET REVISION

POST DATE:										Cash Transfer Required									Auditor	-Controller		
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